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Stocks of Grains

in All Positions

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GRAIN STOCKS CONTINUE RECORD LEVEL

Stocks of all feed grains, wheat and soybeans in all positions on April 1 maintained the recent pattern of record levels. Wheat stocks at 1,5 billion bushels, sorghum grain at 613 million and soybeans at 323 million bushels exceeded the previous records by 17, 44 and 26 percent, respectively. Corn stocks of 3.0 billion bushels were 7 percent above the record level of a year ago and barley stocks were 10 percent larger. Oat stocks of 667 million bushels moved ahead of the record level of 1956 and were 12 percent above a year earlier. Rye and flaxseed stocks each were sharply above the previous year. Stocks of feed grains--corn, oats, barley and sorghum grain--totaled 119 million tons, more than a tenth above the previous record of 106 million tons in storage on April 1, 1958.

Wheat stocks of 1,540 million bushels stored in all positions on April 1 were the largest of record for that date, more than a third larger than the previous year and a sixth larger than the previous record holdings in 1956. The stocks total was 5 percent larger than the record 1958 production with more than four-fifths either owned by the Government or under Government loan. Current stocks were less than January 1, 1959 stocks by 280 million bushels. Off-farm wheat stocks of 1,257 million bushels were a third larger than the holdings a year earlier as stocks increased in all storage positions. Farm stocks at 283 million bushels were more than one-half larger than last year and the third largest of record.

Rye stocks of 18.2 million bushels stored in all positions on April 1 were almost a fifth larger than a year earlier and 33 percent larger than average. Stocks in each storage position were estimated above April 1 a year ago, with the farm stocks proportion of total stocks a near record. Farm stocks at 9.6 million bushels accounted for almost 53 percent of total stocks and were the second largest since 1943. Off-farm stocks of 8.6 million bushels were about 18 percent above April 1, 1958 but only 1 percent above average. Stocks at interior mills and elevators were the fourth largest of record and 2 percent above stocks in this position a year ago. Terminal stocks of 3.4 million bushels were 44 percent above last year but a third less than average. Holdings in CCC bins were a record but still relatively small.

Corn stocks in all storage positions April 1, at 2,992 million bushels, were a new record for the date and 7 percent above a year earlier. April 1 stocks have increased each year since 1952 at an average annual rate of about 200 million bushels. Stocks in interior mills, elevators and warehouses, at 491 million

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bushels, were about 91 million above a year ago, but stocks in CCC owned bins at 578 million bushels declined 40 million. Total stocks in off-farm positions were 1,176 million bushels of which about 1,115 million were Government owned or under warehouse loan. Stocks on farms at 1,816 million bushels were 135 million above a year earlier. CCC loans on farm stored corn, including reseals and purchase agreements, outstanding March 31 covered 450 million bushels compared with 360 million on March 15, 1958. Disappearance of corn from all storage positions during the January-March quarter was a record 934 million bushels and well above the 803 million bushels for the same quarter a year earlier.

Oats stored in all positions on April 1 totaled 667 million bushels--nearly 12 percent more than a year earlier and the largest of record for the date. Farm stocks at 588 million bushels were 9 percent higher than a year earlier and above any year of record available back to 1926. Stocks in off-farm positions totaled 79 million bushels, nearly two-fifths larger than a year ago but 7 percent below the record April 1, 1956 stocks. Oats under loan to or owned by CCC amounted to 17 percent of the total stocks compared with 11 percent a year earlier. Disappearance of oats during the first 3 months of 1959 amounted to 382 million bushels--about 16 percent more than during the same quarter in 1958.

The supply of barley in all storage positions on April 1 was a record high of 288 million bushels for the date compared with the previous record a year earlier of 263 million bushels. Holdings on farms were a record 151 million bushels--one percent above a year earlier. Off-farm stocks at 137 million bushels were also a record--21 percent above April 1958. Interior mills, elevators and warehouses held 85 million bushels or 2 percent less than the record a year ago. Terminal elevators held a record total of 44 million bushels. About three-fifths of the April 1 stocks were under loan to or owned by CCC, about the same proportion as a year ago. Total disappearance of barley during the January-March quarter was 102 million bushels compared with 96 million for this period last year.

Sorghum grain stocks in all storage positions April 1 were 613 million bushels, far above the previous record of 425 million for the date a year earlier. Stocks in interior mills, elevators and warehouses, at 382 million, were 151 million above a year earlier and terminal stocks at 126 million increased 29 million. Stocks in all off-farm positions were 510 million bushels of which 497 million were Government owned or under warehouse loan. Farm stocks at 102 million bushels were 5 million above a year earlier with nearly half under CCC farm loan and purchase agreement. Disappearance of sorghum grain from all storage positions during the January-March quarter was 109 million bushels compared with 93 million during the same quarter in 1958.

Soybean stocks of 323 million bushels in all storage positions on April 1 were the largest of record for the date and a fourth larger than a year earlier, the previous record. Farm, terminal, processor and elevator and warehouse stocks were all above April 1, 1958 and record for the date.

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Stocks of grains, April 1, 1959 with comparisons

Grain and position	April 1 av.	April 1	Jan. 1	April 1
	1948-57	1958	1959	1959
	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels
WHEAT				
On Farms 1/	227,285	176,737	456,581	282,989
Terminals 2/	228,924	335,916	422,047	419,579
Commodity Credit Corp. 3/	42,671	74,571	87,230	77,029
Int. Mills, Elev. & Whses. 1/4/	369,670	535,332	854,305	760,417
TOTAL	868,549	1,122,556	1,820,163	1,540,014
RYE				
On Farms 1/	5,211	7,927	13,048	9,600
Terminals 2/	5,200	2,337	4,973	3,374
Commodity Credit Corp. 3/	13	6	205	124
Int. Mills, Elev. & Whses. 1/4/	3,245	4,948	6,259	5,069
TOTAL	13,670	15,218	24,485	18,167
CORN				
On Farms 1/	1,401,675	1,680,943	2,695,993	1,815,865
Terminals 2/	54,737	108,385	97,223	106,482
Commodity Credit Corp. 3/	307,374	618,762	633,545	578,374
Int. Mills, Elev. & Whses. 1/4/	119,981	399,788	499,099	490,983
TOTAL	1,883,767	2,807,878	3,925,860	2,991,704
OATS				
On Farms 1/	484,458	540,627	952,566	587,576
Terminals 2/	12,424	10,703	25,526	20,103
Commodity Credit Corp. 3/	978	163	3,978	3,598
Int. Mills, Elev. & Whses. 1/4/	36,398	46,070	66,954	55,323
TOTAL	534,258	597,563	1,049,024	666,600
BARLEY				
On Farms 1/	88,924	149,981	225,368	151,372
Terminals 2/	19,162	25,956	47,061	43,518
Commodity Credit Corp. 3/	786	251	9,381	8,149
Int. Mills, Elev. & Whses. 1/4/	45,438	87,022	108,312	85,301
TOTAL	154,310	263,210	390,122	288,340
SORGHUM				
GRAIN				
On Farms 1/	57	97,360	193,790	102,356
Terminals 2/	19,708	96,725	128,642	126,116
Commodity Credit Corp. 3/	379	15	2,549	2,530
Int. Mills, Elev. & Whses. 1/4/	46,752	230,902	397,000	381,509
TOTAL	57	425,002	721,981	612,511
SOYBEANS				
On Farms 1/	62,630	117,445	199,925	124,623
Terminals 2/	9,936	17,977	42,767	26,839
Commodity Credit Corp. 3/	85	0	1,954	1,895
Processing Plants 6/	45,809	57,983	98,610	73,300
Int. Mills, Elev. & Whses. 1/4/	24,831	62,301	126,005	96,031
TOTAL	143,291	255,706	469,261	322,688
FLAXSEED				
On Farms 1/	10,054	6,897	15,838	13,629
Terminals 2/	6,809	1,899	1,512	773
Commodity Credit Corp. 3/	0	0	0	0
Int. Mills, Elev. & Whses. 1/4/	8,041	6,773	13,536	9,991
TOTAL	24,905	15,569	30,886	24,393

1/ Estimates of the Crop Reporting Board.

2/ Commercial stocks reported by Grain Division, AMS, at 44 Terminal cities.

3/ Owned by CCC and stored in bins or other storages owned or controlled by CCC; other CCC-owned grain is included in the estimates by positions.

4/ All off-farm storages not otherwise designated, including merchant mills.

5/ Not available for April 1 prior to 1957.

6/ Firms reporting crushings and stocks of soybeans to the Bureau of the Census.

State	Stocks of grains, April 1, 1959							
	Wheat				Rye			
	Off-farm total 1/		Total 2/		Off-farm total 1/		Total 2/	
	April 1 1958	1959	April 1 1958	1959	April 1 1958	1959	April 1 1958	1959
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels
N. Eng.	1,070	421	1,070	421	1	1	1	1
N. Y.	36,947	38,676	38,079	40,058	*	383	*	433
N. J.	292	845	469	1,128	1	1	9	39
Pa.	2,577	4,266	4,144	6,466	36	112	91	265
Ohio	9,946	10,680	11,426	12,997	9	23	72	132
Ind.	3,753	3,375	5,550	5,425	31	41	159	121
Ill.	13,194	15,009	14,653	18,260	1,432	1,100	1,544	1,198
Mich.	5,614	7,451	7,051	11,422	36	45	157	230
Wis.	29,799	33,851	30,198	34,389	89	521	190	615
Minn.	66,557	79,891	70,029	86,734	677	1,611	1,033	1,974
Iowa	5,253	6,866	5,369	7,201	46	5	137	58
Mo.	30,843	38,339	32,355	40,161	126	78	198	249
N. Dak.	25,917	46,192	79,569	107,907	1,277	1,602	3,104	4,876
S. Dak.	24,430	24,620	41,246	51,367	753	953	2,913	3,372
Nebr.	82,733	111,437	103,206	150,010	113	156	985	1,144
Kans.	285,475	391,676	295,486	432,451	292	251	883	710
Del.	67	82	77	89	2	3	8	12
Md.	2,765	4,287	2,901	4,456	*	10	*	26
Va.	13,912	22,185	14,267	22,616	1	12	13	28
W. Va.	*	65	*	311	---	*	---	*
N. C.	1,082	1,329	1,774	1,938	3	7	22	25
S. C.	566	525	671	634	---	1	3	4
Ga.	304	434	433	516	*	*	*	*
Fla.	3	6	3	6	*	*	*	*
Ky.	2,850	1,986	3,048	2,124	254	132	266	149
Tenn.	1,875	2,234	2,067	2,380	11	9	21	15
Ala.	427	725	497	794	*	---	*	---
Miss.	*	74	*	112	*	*	*	*
Ark.	1,526	3,945	1,575	4,003	*	*	*	*
La.	*	11,441	*	11,441	*	*	*	*
Okla.	83,359	113,775	84,219	117,238	43	4	304	265
Texas	89,595	129,057	90,437	131,248	51	83	69	110
Mont.	13,948	25,039	46,742	72,372	23	55	111	161
Idaho	7,148	9,200	13,924	13,449	*	45	*	51
Wyo.	1,399	1,895	2,929	4,412	7	23	57	59
Colo.	24,891	29,084	33,656	45,238	39	39	233	209
N. Mex.	3,312	3,476	3,400	3,649	1	3	8	23
Ariz.	176	438	221	516	---	---	---	---
Utah	2,642	3,691	3,823	4,529	3	3	17	14
Nev.	8	17	72	55	---	---	---	---
Wash.	34,005	41,641	37,911	47,384	1,564	1,089	2,004	1,317
Oreg.	27,411	32,958	29,420	36,878	173	141	307	238
Calif.	1,586	3,841	1,835	5,229	9	15	22	28
Unallo- cated *	6,562	---	6,754	---	188	10	277	16
	945,819	---	1,122,556	---	7,291	10	15,218	18,167
U. S. *	1,257,025	---	1,540,014	---	8,567	---	---	---

* Unallocated-- to avoid disclosing individual operations.

1/ Includes stocks at Interior Mills, Elevators and Warehouses, commercial stocks reported by Grain Division, AMS, at terminals, and those owned by Commodity Credit Corporation which are in bins and other storages under C.C.C. control.

2/ Off-farm total plus farm stocks.

Stocks of grains, April 1, 1959 - Continued

Shelled and ear corn : Oats

State	Total 2/		Total 2/					
	Off-farm total 1/	all positions	Off-farm total 1/	all positions				
April 1	April 1	April 1	April 1	April 1				
1958	1959	1958	1959	1958				
1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000				
bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels				
N. Eng.	1,530	2,154	1,686	2,303	512	600	2,574	1,572
N. Y.	15,980	23,645	23,306	29,712	1,923	2,471	14,668	13,024
N. J.	420	722	1,812	4,641	217	161	425	431
Pa.	4,438	3,778	24,507	40,960	608	794	10,595	12,527
Ohio	34,967	35,878	116,511	128,988	2,364	2,788	14,196	21,492
Ind.	60,334	69,336	194,847	203,180	1,160	1,677	11,615	16,858
Ill.	254,069	275,471	542,042	565,340	3,226	4,900	35,275	46,002
Mich.	15,442	16,062	55,672	65,399	795	1,090	17,557	23,710
Wis.	12,579	14,617	71,880	58,845	2,582	4,294	64,837	74,756
Minn.	110,218	110,114	275,254	271,159	8,579	14,480	90,817	113,868
Iowa	353,640	357,587	757,111	770,918	4,828	5,994	100,647	104,638
Mo.	30,979	31,311	105,440	108,574	3,153	2,663	17,670	9,790
N. Dak.	2,323	2,982	9,751	8,904	1,811	4,645	36,683	51,167
S. Dak.	56,980	63,342	135,187	123,827	2,416	7,297	73,178	79,249
Nebr.	117,086	122,122	268,463	311,245	861	722	24,384	26,210
Kans.	26,343	12,589	43,348	41,196	696	668	14,030	4,961
Del.	832	1,092	1,736	3,058	29	30	57	81
Md.	2,122	991	5,415	10,321	1,035	555	1,541	877
Va.	649	1,012	5,890	14,778	271	371	869	1,044
W. Va.	32	53	2,065	2,985	14	12	393	324
N. C.	2,714	3,899	21,665	33,477	481	316	2,531	2,072
S. C.	473	887	8,062	11,970	289	356	1,589	1,797
Ga.	1,444	3,307	17,788	29,056	1,614	1,021	2,497	1,750
Fla.	112	203	1,948	2,605	74	120	105	160
Ky.	4,900	6,228	27,394	40,796	130	94	373	351
Tenn.	2,071	3,005	17,773	28,435	669	534	1,457	1,254
Ala.	1,602	1,887	17,051	25,409	309	*	579	*
Miss.	427	720	10,932	15,342	1,682	621	3,070	928
Ark.	167	235	3,119	4,708	820	319	1,974	787
La.	2,376	2,118	4,545	5,199	175	*	457	*
Okla.	310	315	1,517	2,026	859	1,135	5,537	7,601
Texas	2,801	2,273	13,331	8,772	2,516	5,671	13,447	18,422
Mont.	18	31	110	101	291	253	6,157	6,423
Idaho	38	320	1,004	754	1,827	1,608	4,457	3,519
Wyo.	21	162	305	266	117	78	2,493	1,797
Colo.	702	2,275	8,311	7,885	378	258	3,483	2,045
N. Mex.	93	35	429	359	48	24	110	84
Ariz.	57	48	403	300	33	119	153	187
Utah	417	93	479	141	118	70	970	747
Nev.	1	6	13	14	8	13	54	45
Wash.	1,147	488	1,877	1,028	3,912	3,617	6,804	4,798
Oreg.	89	155	616	968	2,534	4,185	5,225	5,983
Calif.	3,962	2,291	7,283	5,760	972	1,424	1,730	1,910
Unallo- cated*					976	---	1,359	
U. S.	1,128,935	1,175,839	2,807,878	2,991,704	56,936	79,024	597,563	666,600

* Unallocated to avoid disclosing individual operations. 1/ Includes stocks at Interior Mills, Elevators and Warehouses, commercial stocks reported by Grain Division, AMS, at terminals, and those owned by Commodity Credit Corporation which are in bins and other storages under C.C.C. control. 2/ Off-farm total plus farm stocks.

Stocks of grains, April 1, 1959 - Continued

State	Barley				Sorghum grain			
	Off-farm total 1/	Total 2/	Off-farm total 1/	Total 2/				
	all positions	April 1	all positions	April 1				
	1958	1959	1958	1959	1958	1959	1958	1959
	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels
N. Eng.	392	37	402	47	2	2	2	2
N. Y.	1,117	970	1,709	1,355	7	7	7	7
N. J.	98	124	240	384	4	*	4	*
Pa.	780	300	2,685	2,700	36	12	36	12
Ohio	91	87	647	691	11	5	11	5
Ind.	54	58	473	511	15	98	292	401
Ill.	616	628	1,501	1,163	71	1,157	405	1,553
Mich.	157	145	926	1,452	---	---	---	---
Wis.	12,645	17,530	13,300	18,353	4	6	4	6
Minn.	13,708	22,071	23,946	40,647	12	84	12	84
Iowa	*	*	*	*	3,325	4,306	7,760	9,018
Mo.	1,723	1,753	3,066	2,737	11,874	16,188	19,662	27,065
N. Dak.	8,898	16,939	45,067	72,388	---	---	---	---
S. Dak.	778	1,516	8,078	11,373	339	385	3,077	2,787
Nebr.	303	568	4,526	3,786	14,525	36,382	42,366	69,003
Kans.	1,456	2,767	6,754	7,449	59,753	75,868	86,870	104,240
Del.	10	7	48	56	---	4	---	4
Md.	260	135	786	791	3	---	3	---
Va.	310	84	932	932	4	9	69	61
W. Va.	3	4	107	137	---	---	---	---
N. C.	97	54	453	411	112	204	899	1,341
S. C.	21	20	200	94	3	*	77	*
Ga.	20	11	44	23	7	31	158	253
Fla.	1	---	1	---	31	1	31	1
Ky.	6	27	297	262	15	91	341	546
Tenn.	89	53	324	193	*	120	*	668
Ala.	*	2	*	2	*	24	*	243
Miss.	4	*	40	*	206	220	528	388
Ark.	577	18	631	38	337	2,803	714	3,263
La.	*	3	*	3	*	*	*	*
Okl.	618	*	2,352	*	7,413	6,645	10,151	9,968
Texas	1,896	2,594	2,554	3,811	203,384	301,858	216,479	311,415
Mont.	3,612	7,324	36,448	32,842	---	---	---	---
Idaho	3,325	2,460	9,585	6,217	---	445	---	445
Wyo.	137	93	2,623	1,465	6	3	6	3
Colo.	2,389	1,518	12,039	5,001	2,153	3,164	8,549	6,900
N. Mex.	56	43	122	163	3,202	3,855	3,861	4,825
Ariz.	1,262	532	1,793	1,002	3,982	4,811	4,431	5,536
Utah	1,040	563	4,546	2,522	1,292	1,738	1,292	1,738
Nev.	38	98	112	206	*	1,543	*	1,543
Wash.	25,750	28,326	31,194	30,540	130	1,704	130	1,704
Oreg.	10,435	12,027	13,497	15,011	12	10,105	12	10,105
Calif.	18,171	12,663	28,399	16,037	11,143	30,748	11,936	31,671
Unallo- cated* :	286	2,816	763	5,545	4,229	5,529	4,827	5,707

U. S. : 113,229 136,968 263,210 288,440 327,642 510,155 425,002 612,511

* Unallocated - to avoid disclosing individual operations. 1/ Includes stocks at Interior Mills, Elevators and Warehouses, commercial stocks reported by Grain Division, AMS, at terminals, and those owned by Commodity Credit Corporation which are in bins and other storages under C.C.C. control. 2/ Off-farm total plus farm stocks.

Stocks of grains, April 1, 1959 - Continued

Soybeans

Flaxseed

State	Off-farm				Off-farm			
	Total 1/	all positions	Total 1/	all positions	Total 2/	all positions	Total 2/	all positions
April 1	April 1	April 1	April 1	April 1	April 1	April 1	April 1	April 1
1958	1959	1958	1959	1958	1959	1958	1959	1958
1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels
Ohio	12,043	15,563	19,560	23,431	---	---	---	---
Ind.	7,141	---	19,391	---	---	---	---	---
Ill.	43,823	51,579	73,897	82,459	---	---	---	---
Wis.	---	---	---	---	198	204	216	231
Minn.	19,450	20,783	39,179	38,042	4,601	2,595	5,267	4,343
Iowa	25,278	36,267	51,993	65,374	15	51	70	127
Mo.	5,582	11,421	12,234	20,290	---	---	---	---
N.Dak.	---	---	---	---	2,534	5,615	7,424	14,708
S.Dak.	---	---	---	---	706	1,396	1,836	3,973
N.C.	940	2,737	1,998	4,065	---	---	---	---
Tenn.	---	13,449	---	14,746	---	---	---	---
Mont.	---	---	---	---	17	15	155	123
Calif.	---	---	---	---	310	694	310	694
Other*	24,004	46,266	37,454	74,281	291	194	291	194
U.S.	138,261	198,065	255,706	322,688	8,672	10,764	15,569	24,393

* Other States and unallocated - to avoid disclosing individual operations.

1/ Includes stocks at Interior Mills, Elevators and Warehouses, commercial stocks reported by Grain Division, AMS, at terminals and those owned by Commodity Credit Corporation which are in bins and other storages under CCC control.

2/ Off-farm total plus farm stocks.

Stocks on April 1 indicate a disappearance during the 6 months, October 1958-March 1959, of 272 million bushels from a supply of 595 million bushels. The supply consisted of a carry-over of 21 million bushels plus the 1958 production of 574 million bushels. During the period 208 million bushels were processed for oil and about 62 million bushels were exported for a known disappearance of 270 million bushels. In addition, soybeans fed probably amounted to at least 1 million bushels. Thus the indicated and known disappearance are in close balance.

Flaxseed stocks in all storage positions on April 1 totaled 24.4 million bushels. This was more than one-half larger than the record low 15.6 million bushels on hand a year earlier. Off-farm stocks of 10.8 million bushels were only a fourth above a year ago but farm stocks were nearly double. Nearly two-thirds of the total stocks on hand April 1 were under Government ownership or loan.

April 1 stocks indicate a disappearance during the period July 1958-March 1959 of 23.9 million bushels from the supply of 48.3 million bushels (carry-over of 8.7 million plus 1958 production of 39.6 million bushels). During the period, crushings amounted to 18.2 million bushels and exports amounted to 4.6 million bushels. This accounts for 22.8 million bushels.

The totals in this report are assembled by the Crop Reporting Board, bringing together commercial stocks at terminals as reported by the Grain Division of the Agricultural Marketing Service, stocks of soybeans at processing plants as reported by the Census Bureau; grains reported by the Grain Branch of the Commodity Stabilization Service as owned by Commodity Credit Corporation and stored in bins, ships, and other storages under CCC control; estimates of the Crop Reporting Board for stocks on farms and at merchant mills and interior mills, elevators, and warehouses.

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